

REMARKS

This responds to the Office Action mailed on November 25, 2004.

Claims 1, 2, 3 and 7 are amended and claims 4 and 8 are canceled herein; no claims are added. As a result, claims 1-3, 5-7 and 9-16 are now pending in this application.

§112 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 7-16 were rejected under 35 USC § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The Applicant has amended “fibrous substrate” to substrate comprising woven, fabric based material, or paper. Support for this amendment can be found on page 6, the top paragraph.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner has stated that Claim 4 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The Applicant has taken the direction indicated by the Examiner. The Applicant believes that claims 1-3, 5-7 and 9-16 are in a condition for allowance and respectfully requests allowance of the claims.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (612) 373-6976 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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